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Media Release

Nationally Recognized Corporate Volunteer Project: 300 Home Depot volunteers coming to California Woods Nature Preserve

WHO: Cincinnati Park Board, Cincinnati Parks Foundation, Home Depot, the Hands On Network and the Earth Day Network

WHAT: Over 300 Home Depot volunteers in the region will gather in Cincinnati to build bridges, restore trails and plant green infrastructure throughout California Woods Preserve. "The Cincinnati Park Board is quite pleased to be involved in a nationally recognized corporate volunteer program," stated Marian Lindberg, President of the Board of Park Commissioners.

The Cincinnati Park Board is partnering with Home Depot, the Hands On Network and the Earth Day Network to beautify California Woods Nature Preserve in one day of a corporate volunteerism. The corporate volunteerism movement was initiated by President Bush to spread throughout the United States, as stated in his 2005 State of the Union Address. The Corporate Month of Service (CMOS) is the launch of a two-year, first-ever corporate initiative joining 29 of America's largest corporations and organizations together to create a force for change through corporate volunteerism. The goal of the initiative is to measurably increase corporate volunteerism by 10% in two years, adding 6.4 million new volunteers. This volunteer alliance, convened by The Home Depot and organized by national non-profit Hands On Network, will focus on producing measurable impact in three core areas: green spaces, learning/planting spaces and healthy spaces. The Cincinnati site of California Woods Nature Preserve has been chosen by the national organization - lead by Home Depot, the Hands On Network and the Earth Day Network - as a key CMOS project. National CMOS representatives will be at the project site on September 8.

WHEN: Thursday, September 8, 2005
Media Photo Opportunity at 8:00 a.m. Project Rally, OR at 3:30 p.m. Ribbon Cutting, please call Julie Horne for directions to rally/ribbon cutting site

WHERE: California Woods Nature Preserve
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